

Waganakising Odawa
Tribal Council
Land and Reservation Committee
Room 312
February 7, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Committee Chairperson Mel Kiogima

Members Absent: Councilor Dexter McNamara

Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Paralegal Intern Michael Lyons

Guests: Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Youth Director Joe Lucier, Education Administrative Assistant Beverly Wemigwase, PEACE Coordinator Kristy Dayson

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Committee Chairperson Kiogima, to adopt the amended agenda.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Councilor McNamara)

Motion carries.

Indian Land Tenure Foundation Project (ILTF)

The ITLF Project continues to operate within budget. Printout of budget received from Accounting Dept.

The budget modification requested of ILTF was approved on January 8, 2009. Line items were adjusted, but total grant remains the same. This modification allows the Committee to move ahead with plans for the Youth Land Training Session.

After much discussion with the Education Department and the Youth Department prior to today's meeting, it was decided to reschedule the one-day Youth 'Land' Training Session to Friday, March 20, 2009. The Session will begin at 9:30 a.m. and finish at 2:00 p.m. and will be held at the Odawa Hotel. The Youth Dept. and the Education Dept. will supplement the costs from their respective budgets for the added expenses. It is anticipated that 80 LTBB youth in grades 8 through 12 from the Title VII programs of Harbor Springs, Petoskey, Charlevoix, Alanson, and a conglomerate of schools consisting of Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Mancelona, and Alba will be invited to participate. This date has been confirmed to be O.K. for Historian James McClurken. The Education Dept. will put together a flyer for the event and send out to the respective Title VII programs for distribution to the LTBB students and will coordinate the list of participants. Councilor Bentley and Attorney Budnick will coordinate the gifts that are to be given to the Training participants.

The entry of data and interpretation of same for the 'Land' surveys is near completion. Planning Department Director Bryan Gillett will be requested to present results to the 'Land' Committee.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Committee Chairperson Kiogima, to approve the Minutes of Regular Meetings held November 15, 2008, December 20, 2008, and January 7, 2009, and the Closed Session Minutes for January 7, 2009.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Councilor McNamara)

Motion carries.

Old/On-going Business

The Report for Land Parcel #28, which is located at 612 Second Street in Harbor Springs, was distributed. The format for evaluating the property and future LTBB land purchases was discussed. It was noted that some direction from Tribal Council, perhaps in the form of a Land Use Plan, may be needed for this and future land acquisitions.

New Business

Attorney Budnick was not aware of any new 'land' court cases.

An updated list of LTBB Land Holdings (as of 1/27/09) was distributed and reviewed.

Other Items of Business

9:50 a.m. Public Comment opened. No comments were received.

9:51 a.m. Public Comment closed.

No additional Action Items needed to be addressed.

The next meeting date is tentatively planned for Saturday, March 7, 2009, and will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Motion made by Councilor Bentley, seconded by Committee Chairperson Kiogima, to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 absent (Councilor McNamara)